

# BEARFACTS 1991 – 2001 Wells, North Dakota [38103]

Wells is one of 53 counties in North Dakota. It is not part of a Metropolitan Area. Its 2001 population of 4,875 ranked 25th in the state.

## PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 Wells had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$23,661. This PCPI ranked 34th in the state and was 91 percent of the state average, \$25,880, and 77 percent of the national average, \$30,582. The 2001 PCPI reflected an increase of 4.7 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 3.1 percent and the national change was 2.5 percent. In 1991 the PCPI of Wells was \$16,278 and ranked 17th in the state. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 3.8 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.7 percent and for the nation was 4.4 percent.

## TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 Wells had a total personal income (TPI) of \$115,345\*. This TPI ranked 28th in the state and accounted for 0.7 percent of the state total. In 1991 the TPI of Wells was \$91,921\* and ranked 21st in the state. The 2001 TPI reflected an increase of 0.5 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 2.3 percent and the national change was 3.5 percent. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of TPI was 2.3 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.8 percent and for the nation was 5.6 percent.

## COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Wells. In 2001 net earnings accounted for 43.8 percent of TPI (compared with 48.0 in 1991); dividends, interest, and rent were 32.6 percent (compared with 30.5 in 1991); and personal current transfer receipts were 23.6 percent (compared with 21.5 in 1991). From 2000 to 2001 net earnings decreased 3.0 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 4.9 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 1.3 percent. From 1991 to 2001 net earnings increased on average 1.4 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 3.0 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 3.2 percent.

## EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Wells decreased from \$61,130\* in 2000 to \$59,232\* in 2001, a decrease of 3.1 percent. The 2000-2001 state change was 2.3 percent and the national change was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1991 estimate of \$49,955\* to the 2001 estimate was 1.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.1 percent and for the nation was 5.8 percent.

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<sup>\*</sup>Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.